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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

KOICHIRO MIYAKE, ET AL.

Application No.: N/Y/A

Filed: Currently herewith

For: A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
ISOPRENOID COMPOUNDS BY  
MICROORGANISMS AND A  
METHOD FOR SCREENING  
COMPOUNDS WITH  
ANTIBIOTIC OR WEEDING  
ACTIVITY

: Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

: Group Art Unit: N/Y/A

: October 11, 2000

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to action on the merits, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 10, lines 9-18, replace "Using the collected DNA fragments, ... in *E. coli* K12, can be used." with --For cloning the amplified DNA obtained above, an appropriate cloning vector is digested with restriction enzymes creating the cohesive ends which are able to ligate with the amplified DNA fragment. Using a recombinant DNA obtained by

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